

***What is Claimed:***

1. Appliance for the preparation of hot drinks, soups and similar nutritional/semi-luxury foods, with a drinking cup and with a closable  
5 container, to be inserted in the latter and provided with an electrical heating device, for the liquid to be heated, which, after heating, is emptied into the drinking cup after a valve of a container has been opened, characterized in that the valve is designed to co-operate with an axially extending middle projection in the drinking cup for opening the valve when the container is  
10 inserted into the drinking cup, and in that the projection is arranged on a disc-shaped element which is provided with perforations and which can be inserted into the drinking cup at a distance from the bottom of the latter.
2. Appliance according to Claim 1, characterized in that the disc-shaped  
15 element is designed as a slosh-over safeguard.
3. Appliance according to Claim 1, characterized in that the container for the liquid to be heated is provided with a swing-open lid.
- 20 4. Appliance according to Claim 3, characterized in that the lid can be locked in the closed position by means of an interlock in the form of a slide.
5. Appliance according to Claim 3, characterized in that the lid can be locked in the closed position by means of an interlock in the form of a  
25 pivotable disc.
6. Appliance according to Claim 4, characterized in that the interlock is designed as a switch for the heating device.
- 30 7. Appliance according to Claim 4, characterized in that the interlock actuates a switch for the heating device.
8. Appliance according to Claim 4, characterized in that the interlock makes a switch for the heating device accessible during the locking of the lid.

9. Appliance according to Claim 2, characterized in that the container for the liquid to be heated is provided with a swing-open lid.

5 10. Appliance according to Claim 5, characterized in that the interlock is designed as a switch for the heating device.

11. Appliance according to Claim 5, characterized in that the interlock actuates a switch for the heating device.

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12. Appliance according to Claim 5, characterized in that the interlock makes a switch for the heating device accessible during the locking of the lid.